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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRD, GATT

SUBJECT: TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

1. U.S., EC, JAPAN MEETING WITH LONG HAS BEEN RE-SCHEDULED TO START 10 A.M. MONDAY, DEC. 10. HIJZEN CONFIRMED THROUGH LUYTEN THIS ACCEPTABLE TO HIM. JAPAN (MIZOGUCHI) PERSONALLY CONFIDENT GOJ WILL HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH NEW DATE AS THEY HAD NOT EXPECTED TO BE REPRESENTED FROM TOKYO FOR DEC. 6 (UKAWA RETURNED TOKYO LAST WEEKEND, INTENDING RETURN ABOUT DEC. 10 OR 11). MIZOGUCHI WILL ADVISE TOKYO PROMPTLY ABOUT NEW DATE AND BELIEVE IT POSSIBLE UKAWA OR POSSIBLY MIZOGUCHI WILL ATTEND.

2. LONG ACCEPTS DEC. 10, BUT, ACCORDING TO PATTERSON, WITH CONSIDERABLE RELUCTANCE BECAUSE SECRETARIAT NOW DOUBTS THERE WILL BE ENOUGH TIME TO RATIFY PACKAGE IN
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T.N.C. BEFORE CHIRSTMAS. SEC CONSIDERS WIDER GROUP (7 PLUS 7)

SHOULD BE CONSULTED AFTER BIG THREE REACH AN UNDERSTANDING
BUT BEFORE REPEAT BEFORE 113 COMMITTEE MEETS DEC. 12. ONCE
113 HAS MET, SEC FEARS EC POSITION WILL BE FIXED IN CON-
CRETE AND SOME MEMBERS OF 7 PLUS 7 GROUPING WILL RESENT
BEING "CONSULTED" OF FAIT ACCOMPLI BASIS. WE TOLD
PATTERSON WE DOUBTED EC WOULD BE WILLING CONSULT 7 PLUS 7
BEFORE 113 MEETS BECAUSE OF EC SENSITIVITY ABOUT DIS-
CUSSING ANY SPECIFIC COMMISSION IDEAS BEFORE MEMBER
STATES HAVE APPROVED BUT IF OUR GUESS IS WRONG THERE MIGHT
BE OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO ON DEC. 11. BASSIN

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